

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2379  
ANSWERED ON 01.08.2022**

**MAJOR PILGRIMAGE CENTRES UNDER PRASAD SCHEME**

**†2379. SHRI ARUN SAO:**

**SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:**

**SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:**

**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has identified major pilgrimage centres under the Pilgrimage Rejuvenation And Spiritual Augmentation Drive (PRASAD), particularly in the State of Chhattisgarh;**
- (b) if so, the details of efforts made/proposed to be made for enriching the religious tourism experience;**
- (c) whether any communication has been sent to the State Government of Chhattisgarh to identify the important religious places or any proposal/request has been received from Chhattisgarh and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Union Government proposes to identify places of religious importance in Chhattisgarh; and**
- (e) whether there are provisions to add religious sites to the list of identified centres under the PRASAD scheme in accordance with the local demands and if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF TOURISM**

**(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)**

**(a) to (e): Identification of destinations and approval of projects for development of tourism infrastructure at identified destinations under PRASHAD Scheme is a continuous process. As course of action, Ministry of Tourism, from time to time, issues letters to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations to nominate the destinations to be included under the scheme. After following the process, till date 39 projects have been approved under PRASHAD Scheme, including one project for the State of Chhattisgarh. List of the approved projects under PRASHAD Scheme is attached.**

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**ANNEXURE****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2379 ANSWERED ON 01.08.2022 REGARDING MAJOR PILGRIMAGE CENTRES UNDER PRASAD SCHEME.**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State/UTs</b>	<b>Project Nos.</b>	<b>Name of the Project</b>	<b>Year of Sanction</b>	<b>Approved cost</b>
			<b>Names of approved projects</b>		<b>₹ in Cr.</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	<b>1.</b>	<b>Development of Amaravati Town, Guntur District as a Tourist Destination**</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>27.77</b>
		<b>2.</b>	<b>Development of Srisailem Temple**</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>43.08</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Arunachal Pradesh</b>	<b>3.</b>	<b>Development of Parasuram Kund, Lohit Distt.</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>37.88</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Assam</b>	<b>4.</b>	<b>Development of Kamakhya Temple and Pilgrimage Destination in and around Guwahati**</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>29.80</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>5.</b>	<b>Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar**</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>4.27</b>
		<b>6.</b>	<b>Development at Patna Sahib**</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>41.54</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Chhattisgarh</b>	<b>7.</b>	<b>Development of Maa Bamleshwari Devi Temple, Rajnandgaon, Dongargarh, Chhattisgarh</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>43.33</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Gujarat</b>	<b>8.</b>	<b>Development of Dwarka**</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>13.08</b>
		<b>9.</b>	<b>Pilgrimage Amenities at Somnath**</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>45.36</b>
		<b>10.</b>	<b>Development of</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>47.12</b>

			<b>Promenade at Somnath under PRASHAD Scheme**</b>		
		<b>11.</b>	<b>Development of Pilgrim Plaza with Queue Management Complex at Somnath Gujarat</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>49.97</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Haryana</b>	<b>12.</b>	<b>Development of Nada Saheb Gurudwara and Mata Mansha Devi Temple in Panchkula District</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>49.52</b>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Jammu &amp; Kashmir</b>	<b>13.</b>	<b>Development at Hazratbal,</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>40.46</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Jharkhand</b>	<b>14.</b>	<b>Development of Baidyanathji Dham, Deoghar</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>39.13</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>15.</b>	<b>Development at Guruvayur Temple**</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>46.14</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>16.</b>	<b>Development of Omkareshwar</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>44.83</b>
		<b>17.</b>	<b>Development of Amarkantak</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>49.99</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Maharashtra</b>	<b>18.</b>	<b>Development of Trimbakeshwar</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>52.92</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>Meghalaya</b>	<b>19.</b>	<b>Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation in Meghalaya</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>29.32</b>
<b>14.</b>	<b>Nagaland</b>	<b>20.</b>	<b>Development of Pilgrimage Infrastructure in Nagaland</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>25.26</b>
<b>15.</b>	<b>Odisha</b>	<b>21.</b>	<b>Infrastructure Development at Puri, Shree Jagannath Dham – Ramachandi - Prachi River front at Deuli under Mega Circuit</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b>Punjab</b>	<b>22.</b>	<b>Development of KarunaSagar</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>6.40</b>

			<b>Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar **</b>		
		<b>23.</b>	<b>Development of Chamkaur Sahib at Rupar, Punjab under PRASHAD Scheme</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>31.57</b>
<b>17.</b>	<b>Rajasthan</b>	<b>24.</b>	<b>Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>32.64</b>
<b>18.</b>	<b>Sikkim</b>	<b>25.</b>	<b>Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation at Four Patron Saints, Yuksom</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>33.32</b>
<b>19.</b>	<b>Tamilnadu</b>	<b>26.</b>	<b>Development of Kanchipuram**</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>13.99</b>
		<b>27.</b>	<b>Development of Vellankani**</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>4.86</b>
<b>20.</b>	<b>Telangana</b>	<b>28.</b>	<b>Development of Jogulamba Devi Temple, Alampur</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>36.73</b>
<b>21.</b>	<b>Tripura</b>	<b>29.</b>	<b>Development of Tripura Sundari Temple, Udaipur</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>37.80</b>
<b>22.</b>	<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>30.</b>	<b>Integrated Development of Kedarnath**</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>34.77</b>
		<b>31.</b>	<b>Development of Infrastructure for Pilgrimage Facilitation in Badrinath Ji Dham (Uttarakhand) under PRASHAD Scheme</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>56.13</b>
		<b>32.</b>	<b>Augmentation of Pilgrimage Infrastructure Facilities and Gangotri and Yamunotri Dham in Uttarakhand under PRASHAD Scheme</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>54.36</b>
<b>23.</b>	<b>Uttar</b>	<b>33.</b>	<b>Development of</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>14.93</b>

	<b>Pradesh</b>		<b>Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II)**</b>		
		<b>34.</b>	<b>Construction of Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan, Distt. Mathura**</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>9.36</b>
		<b>35.</b>	<b>Development of Varanasi –Phase –I**</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>20.40</b>
		<b>36.</b>	<b>Cruise Tourism in River Ganga, Varanasi</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>10.72</b>
		<b>37.</b>	<b>Development of Varanasi Under Prashad Scheme – Phase II</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>44.60</b>
		<b>38.</b>	<b>Development of Infrastructure facilities at Govardhan, Mathura, UP</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>39.74</b>
<b>24.</b>	<b>West Bengal</b>	<b>39.</b>	<b>Development of Belur</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>30.03</b>

**(\*\* Physical execution of work completed).**

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